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Los Angeles County **Board of Supervisors**

TO:

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SUBJECT:

QUARTERLY REPORT ON PROGRESS IN OBTAINING

REIMBURSEMENT FOR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES MEDICAL HUB FORENSIC EVALUATIONS

Michael D. Antonovich

On September 1, 2009, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, your Board instructed the Chief Executive Office (CEO), in conjunction with the Departments of Health Services (DHS), Children and Family Services (DCFS) and Public Social Services (DPSS), to report back in 30 days, and quarterly thereafter, on our progress on the following items:

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1) Working with the Medi-Cal Managed Care health plans to establish contracts for reimbursement for Medical Hub forensic examinations for predetained and non-detained children involved in the child welfare system; 2) working with the California Departments of Health and Social Services on carving out reimbursement to the County for Medical Hub forensic medical examinations at the federal Medi-Cal Share of Cost level, similar to the State's agreements with school-based clinics; and 3) evaluating the feasibility of systematically accessing alternative State emergency/temporary Medi-Cal eligibility programs, such as the Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) Gateway Program, for children not already enrolled in Medi-Cal.

This quarterly report provides an update on item one. Items two and three were addressed in prior quarterly reports.

Reimbursement from Medi-Cal Managed Care Health Plans

L.A. Care has informed DHS that it is in the process of executing amendments to its Plan Partner Services Agreements (PPSA) which will include reimbursement requirements for Medical Hub services retroactive to October 20, 2010. L.A. Care is preparing a similar amendment to its PPSA with the Community Health Plan. DHS will seek Board approval of this amendment sometime in July.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me or your staff may contact Cheri Todoroff, at (213) 240-8272 or via e-mail at ctodoroff@dhs.lacounty.gov.

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